

CUMBERLAND ROAD IN INDIANA, &c.

LETTER

FROM

THE SECRETARY OF WAR,

TRANSMITTING

*A report respecting the unexpended balance of the appropriation for the  
Cumberland road in Indiana.*

JANUARY 22, 1835.

Referred to the Committee of Ways and Means.

WAR DEPARTMENT,

January 20, 1835.

SIR: I have the honor to transmit, herewith, a report from the Chief Engineer, respecting the unexpended balance of the appropriation for the Cumberland road in Indiana, in answer to the resolution of the House of Representatives of the 17th instant.

Very respectfully,

Your most obedient servant,

MAHLON DICKERSON,

*Acting Secretary of War.*

Hon. JOHN BELL,

*Speaker of the House of Representatives.*

ENGINEER DEPARTMENT,

January 19, 1835.

Hon. LEWIS CASS,

*Secretary of War:*

SIR: In obedience to the resolution of the House of Representatives of the 17th instant, I have the honor to hand you the enclosed statement, explaining the difference in the amount of unexpended appropriations on account of the national road in the State of Indiana, and furnishing the information called for therein.

I beg leave to remark that it is often necessary to close the annual statement of the fiscal operations of the Engineer Department before the re-

turns, &c., from all the works are received. The department, therefore, can only act upon the information before it. This was the case in the present instance, as well as some others included in the same statement.

I have the honor to be,

Sir, your most obedient servant,

C. GRATIOT, *Chief Engineer.*

In the tabular statement of the fiscal operations under the Engineer Department for the year ending the 30th of September, 1834, the unexpended balance of former appropriations is thus stated, relating to the Cumberland road in Indiana:

Amount undrawn from the Treasury 30th September	-	\$160,882 00
Amount in the hands of agents do	-	17,631 09
Total	-	<u>\$178,513 09</u>

Which amount was ascertained from the statement of balances from the Treasury on the 30th September - - - 160,882 00

And an acknowledged balance in the hands of Capt. Ogden on the 30th September - 1,925 79

And from the accounts of Mr. Milroy, which had been rendered only to the 1st quarter of 1834, inclusive, which showed a balance in his hands, after deducting \$7,218 38 paid over to Capt. Ogden, and which Capt. Ogden credited in his account current for the 3d quarter of 1834, of - 15,705 30

17,631 09  
178,513 09

Since preparing the annual statement, and its transmission to the War Department, Mr. Milroy has rendered accounts for the 2d quarter, and part of the 3d quarter of 1834, by which he shows a balance due him of - \$1,147 89

So that, had Mr. Milroy's accounts been received to the time of preparing the statement, the amount in the hands of agents would have been, instead of \$17,631 09, only 777 90

Which, added to the amount in the Treasury on the 1st October, 1834 - - - 160,882 00

Would make available for the service of the 4th quarter of 1834, and the year 1835 - - - \$161,659 90

The balance in the Treasury on the 1st of October, 1834, was - - - \$160,882 00

Since which there has been drawn and remitted to the superintendent, as follows :

October 21, 1834.	To Capt. Ogden	-	30,000 00	
November 25, 1834.	Do	-	17,320 00	
January 10, 1835.	Do	-	30,000 00	
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Remaining in the Treasury on the 19th of January, 1835	<hr/>	\$83,562 00
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